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<TEXT>I do not want to pay more for my telephone service! I have
removed long distance from my land line as too expensive. I live
in as area not served by any of the cell phone companies so my
cell-phone is only used when I am on the road for EMERGENCIES
and to tell people where I am so they do not worry about me I an
72 and my husband is 84. I urge you to reject a flat fee
proposal that would change how contributions are made to the
Universal Service Fund. I am concerned that this proposal could
make my current service unaffordable.

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. In other words, low-volume and primarily residential customers would bear the same universal service fund burden as a high-volume residential or business customers. This is unfair!

I use my wireless phone for safety, security and convenience. I don't want to lose these benefits so that big businesses can pay less than their fair share. I urge you to reject the proposal to move the USF collection system to a flat-fee.

Keep the USF Fair!

Sincerely, Shirley Cox Woodlawn, VA

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